



PURSUE: Women Pursuing Christ Through His Word

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Lecture Notes

John Lesson 15

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Are you Abiding?

“Abide in Me, and I in you.”

1. I am the Vine, you are the branches

In Christ we have a new nature and a new life source by which we live.

Colossians 3: 3 “For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God.”

- ◆ *“Our blessed Lord desires to call us **away from ourselves and our own strength**, to _____ and _____. “*
- Andrew Murray, The True Vine

Pruning process-

- ◆ *His Word is a _____ knife.*

“For the word of God is alive and active. Sharper than any double-edged sword, it penetrates even to dividing soul and spirit, joints and marrow; it judges the thoughts and attitudes of the heart.” - Hebrews 4:12

- ◆ *May I be cleansed through the Word. Cleansed of every evil root of self-confidence.*

“The Vinedresser is never _____ the branches then when he is _____ them.” - David Jeremiah

2. Power to Abide and Obey

When Jesus says, “Abide in Me,” He gives the _____ to _____ the _____.

- *Abiding means rest from effort.*
It’s easy to be at home in my home!
- *Abiding is not a continual strain. It’s a _____.*
- *Abiding is _____ your all to Him and **He will do all in you!***
- *It’s been said, “God does not call the qualified, He qualifies the called.”*

- *He's called you to bear much fruit and apart from Him you can do nothing. So, abide in Him!*
- *He will produce the fruit in you. Nothing I can do can qualify me for the task of bearing much fruit. "Cease striving and know that I am God;" Psalm 46:10*

3. The Struggle to Abide

"_____ vines produce _____ wines "-article by plant biologist Jamie Goode

- *Abiding takes time. There's significant time between seedtime and harvest.*
- *_____ seasons and harsh elements are going to make abiding a struggle.*
- *Press into Jesus. Become rooted in Christ.*
- *Abide in His love. Remain when you're tempted to leave.*
- *Fully _____ on Him for life, support, and fruitfulness.*
- *He's _____ a relationship with you!*